BACKGROUND

This competitive grant was open to local governments, special districts, structural fire service agencies, and non-governmental organizations. Funds are for wildfire risk reduction projects, equipment, and staff for local efforts.

The projects will help protect people, property, and communities from wildfire and better prepare communities for wildfire impacts, creating a more fire-adapted Oregon.

Allowable costs include personnel, projects for vulnerable communities, defensible space programs, community common area projects, educational projects, fuel mitigation and reduction, tree service and debris clearing companies, planning, and administrative costs.

Unallowable costs include fire suppression and response equipment, personal protective equipment, prescribed burns, building infrastructure, road paving projects, home hardening, federal grant matches, and contracting or funding a state agency.

KICKOFF MEETING

In the first five months, the OSFM will host an in-person project kickoff meeting and applicants must attend. More details will be given to applicants.

FUNDING

Funding will be allocated as soon as possible after grant award notification in a one-time lump sum to be spent across the grant time period. The funding was available from 2021's Senate Bill 762.

TIMELINE

Applications opened December 2022
Applications closed January 31, 2023
Data analysis February 2023
Committee scoring March - April 2023

Award notifications May 2023